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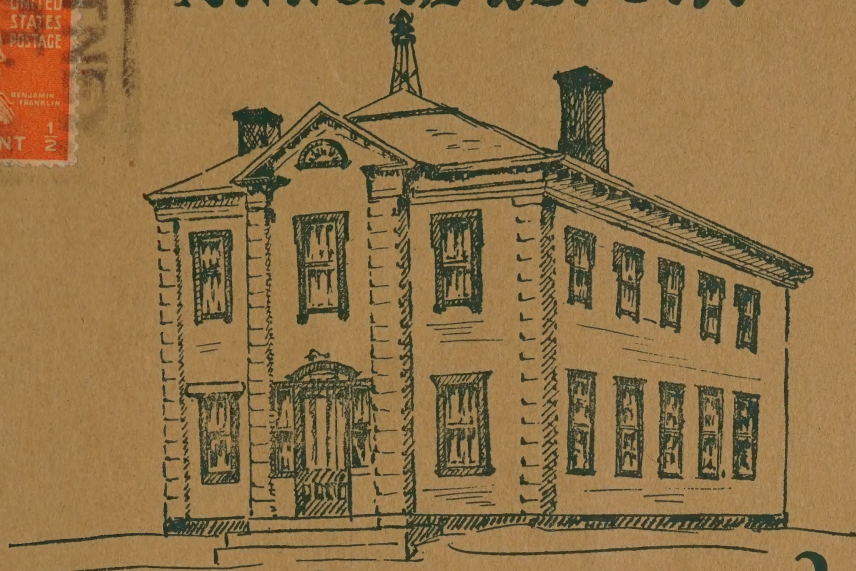


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ANNUAL REPORT



TOWN OF PUTNEY VERMONT

FOR THE

Year ending December 31, 1947

TOWN OFFICERS: 1947

Moderator: John Caldwell

Town Clerk: Gertrude E. Campbell

Selectmen: Alma Jansen, 1948; Philip B. Chase, 1949; John F. Maley, 1950

Overseer of the Poor: Dwight H. Smith

Town and School District Treasurer: Ernest W. Parker

First Constable: Henry Mercure

Second Constable: Anthony Kray

Listers: George Gassett, 1948; John Scott, 1949; Carl Stockwell, 1950

Auditors: Muriel Foley, 1948; Malcolm Jones, 1949; Ruth Hodgdon, 1950

Town Grand Jurors: George Aplin, Henry W. Frost, Elbert Martin

Library Trustees: Mrs. W. H. Darrow, 1948; Miss Sylvia Derry, 1949;
Miss Bessie Braley, 1950; Mrs. John Adams, 1951;
Mrs. Henry W. Frost, 1952

School Directors: George Hamilton, 1948; Mrs. Henry W. Frost, 1949;
Mrs. Edwin Gray, 1950

Road Commissioner: Paul M. Carr

Cemetery Commissioners: George Hamilton, 1948; Austin Gassett, 1949
George Gassett, 1950

Trustee of Baldwin and West Hill Cemetery Funds: George Gassett

Town Agent: Samuel Merrifield

Sexton: Austin Gassett

Pound Keeper: None

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber: Dwight H. Smith

Public Weigher: S. L. Davis

Fire Chiefs: D. H. Smith, David Hannum, Loren Bryant, Roscoe Hodgdon

Forest Fire Wardens: D. H. Smith, Charles Wade

Old Age Assistance Investigator: Ernest W. Parker

Health Officer: Dr. D. C. DeWolfe

School Medical Inspector: Dr. D. C. DeWolfe

Truant Officer: Henry Mercure

Justices of the Peace: George T. Aplin, Muriel Foley, John F. Maley,
Elbert Martin, Ernest W. Parker

Town Representative: Elbert Martin

Tree Warden: George Gassett

Fence Viewers: C. K. Loomis, Henry W. Frost, Donald Aplin

Town Treasurer's Account

Receipts

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1947		\$3,419.85
Taxes:		
Received by collector 1947	\$33,307.50	
Delinquent taxes collected by collector	1,302.49	
Abated by Board of Civil Authority	112.49	
	<hr/>	34,722.48
State Treasurer for:		
Winter Maintenance	1,896.25	
Resurfacing (1946)	2,601.58	
	<hr/>	4,497.83
Credits to:		
Poor Account	21.00	
Cemeteries	47.50	
Fire Department	126.00	
Dog Account	405.00	
Town Hall	87.00	
Schools	157.00	
State of Vermont for school district	3,170.28	
Notes, school district	6,000.00	
Truck	3,000.00	
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Miscellaneous:		
Use of cement mixer	60.00	
Interest on taxes	97.95	
Rent of Post Office	500.00	
Jennie Mellen, beer license	25.00	
Edward Francis, beer license	50.00	
Ralph Doyle, balance on Dimmick house	100.00	
Ralph Doyle, interest	4.50	
John Maley, lumber	57.84	
Town of Westminster, use of truck	208.80	
Boston & Maine RR	9.75	
Porcupine bounties	29.50	
Notes	33,500.00	34,643.34
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		\$90,297.28

Town Treasurer's Account

Disbursements

By order of:

Road Commissioner, State Aid Roads	\$ 31.55
Road, Commissioner State Aid Winter Roads	164.51
Road, Commissioner Town Roads	3,730.82
Road Commissioner, Back Roads (Watt)	2,256.66
Selectmen, Supplies for Highway Dept.	135.81
Road, Commissioner, State Aid Construction	15,516.75
Road Commissioner, Winter town roads & maintenance	2,921.88
Selectmen, putting up snow fence	112.65
Selectmen, cutting brush	491.45
Overseer of Poor, poor relief	1,284.26
School Directors, school district	26,595.15
Selectmen, fire department	2,296.13
Selectmen, railings	715.81
Selectmen, bridges	1,578.27
Selectmen, tractor	569.66
Selectmen, truck	8,142.22
Selectmen, cemeteries	50.30
Selectmen, miscellaneous expense	6,517.24
Selectmen, dog account	58.27
Selectmen, Pine Blister Control	199.80
Selectmen, town hall	848.07
Selectmen, State & County taxes	2,424.63
Selectmen, Notes & Interest	10,547.50
Selectmen, Administration (Salaries)	1,116.89
Selectmen, Administration (Supplies & Expense)	334.43

Balance on hand, Dec. 31, 1947	1,656.57
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\$90,297.28

Comparative Statement of Financial Condition

Current Assets

Balance on hand — In Bank (town)
In Bank (school)
Petty Cash

Accounts Receivable:

State Treasurer for:

State Aid Construction
State Aid Roads
Unselected Roads

Back Roads (Watt)

Notes Receivable
Poor Account
Unpaid taxes
Interest on same

Less 5% estimated uncollectable

Due from Cemetery funds
Due from Whitney funds

Current Liabilities:

Notes Payable

Brattleboro Trust Co.

Accounts Payable, int. due on note

Accounts Payable, refund due taxpayer

Excess of liabilities over assets

Increase in liabilities over assets

Dec. 31, 1947
\$ 840.37
610.94
205.26

Dec. 31, 1946
\$ 758.74
2,661.11

\$15,345.30

2,601.57

\$1,845.65
755.92

1,256.66

16,601.96
212.22
7.00

4,588.88
434.49
5,023.37
251.17

6,249.57
814.34
7,063.91
353.20

6,710.71
450.17
15.14

4,772.20
35.79
7.57
10,836.58

25,653.77

43,549.01

20,000.00

14.03
12.87

26.90
43,575.91
17,922.14
8,759.12

20,000.00
9,163.02
2,550.64

Other Assets

Inventories:	Dec. 31, 1946	Dec. 31, 1947
Furnishings in Town Hall	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Library books	1,500.00	1,500.00
Fire trucks and equipment	3,800.00	3,800.00
Road scrapers and tools	375.00	375.00
Road sander	70.00	70.00
Cement mixer	175.00	175.00
Snow fence	300.00	300.00
Railing posts	25.00	25.00
Time clock	40.00	40.00
Snow plow	50.00	50.00
Tractor and plow		6,964.46
Real Estate:		
Town Hall	25,000.00	25,000.00
Central Schoolhouse	10,000.00	10,000.00
Other three Schoolhouses	2,000.00	2,000.00
Dam and water rights	8,000.00	8,000.00
Fire House	700.00	700.00
Tool building and tramp house	100.00	100.00
Equity in Dimmick house	100.00	
Vault	50.00	50.00
Lower mill site	100.00	100.00
Andrews pasture	250.00	250.00
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	\$53,035.00	\$59,899.46

PLANNING COMMITTEE

The major problem of planning a water system for the Town was halted during the past year because of the fact that Federal aid funds for this purpose were exhausted. The possibility of appropriating Town funds for this purpose will be discussed at Town meeting, at which time a more detailed report of the problem will be submitted. The one thousand dollar appropriation of last Town meeting for purposes of planning has not been expended.

Upon request of the school directors the Planning Committee agreed to take on the planning aspects of Town educational problems. Consideration and study is being made of Town requirements, possibilities of consolidation with neighboring Towns, factors of location and State and Federal aid programs for planning and construction of such facilities.

Consideration was given the suggestion that housing for highway equipment be provided by construction of an addition on the firehouse, and an article was added to the Town meeting warning.

A bank representative was called in to discuss the possibility of funding the Town debt for the purpose of establishing a long-range money saving financial plan for the Town.

The Planning Committee has given serious consideration to other problems, endeavoring to assist the Selectmen and other organizations whenever possible. However, it should be remembered that this committee has no legal or official status, no authority to act on Town government affairs. It is a group of civic minded citizens who are willing to give time, study and recommendations for the coordination and improvement of affairs of the Town.

J. H. CALDWELL, *Chairman*

THOMAS CARPENTER

W. H. DARROW

HENRY W. FROST

GEORGE GASSETT

GEORGE H. HAMILTON

W. BRYANT JONES

MALCOLM JONES

FRANK POTASH

D. C. DEWOLFE, M.D.

ROBERT ROSEGRANT

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

To The Voters of the Town of Putney, Vermont:

We hoped after last Town Meeting to be able to obtain Federal funds for a preliminary survey of a much needed water system for Putney, but those allocated to Vermont had been used. A short time ago several members of the planning committee called on Senator Aiken who assured them he would do everything possible to further a bill for new funds and if it were passed, we would get our share. In the meantime Mr. Murray of Hayden, Harding & Buchanan has come again for more data. Mr. Kenerson of the Boston firm of Burns & Kenerson spent an entire afternoon in Putney with the idea of an adequate and less expensive system. Both firms took copies of the detail map of Putney to help them with their plans. The \$1,000 which was voted to continue the town survey has not been spent because of the delay in obtaining Federal funds.

The work on the Westminster West and West Hill roads was started in September. It was much later than had been planned and Paul Carr with the other men worked twelve and fourteen hours a day. The one road measures 1.4 miles, the other 1.3 miles. There was also a 800 ft. relocation of the road leading to the Experiment. Because of these long work days the three roads were completed just before the first heavy snow fall. During the summer months the bridges which were badly in need of repair were taken care of. One is entirely new, one has new railings and planking, two new railings and three new planking.

The new equipment has been a great help this year. A shovel would further cut labor costs and provision should be made for housing the equipment.

The planning committee has again been of great help to the town and the selectmen in working out many town problems.

ALMA JANSEN
PHILIP CHASE
JOHN MALEY

Selectmen of Town of Putney

Administration

Town Officers:

Mrs. Alma Jansen, selectwoman	\$ 50.00
Philip B. Chase, selectman & misc. expenses	71.65
John Maley, selectman, clerk, postage & telephone	112.98
Gertrude Campbell, clerk	125.00
E. W. Parker, treasurer	150.00
George Gassett, lister	47.80
John Scott, lister	47.76
Carl Stockwell, lister	35.00
Malcolm Jones, auditor	50.00
Muriel Foley, auditor	35.00
Mrs. George Hamilton, auditor	25.00
Dr. D. C. DeWolfe, health officer, reporting births, deaths and communicable diseases	27.50
D. H. Smith, overseer of poor	50.00
D. H. Smith, balance of 1946 overseer salary	12.50
Henry Mercure, duties as police officer	116.50
Henry Mercure, duty as constable Oct. 31, 1946	5.00
Tony Kray, duty as constable July 4 and Oct. 31, 1947	10.00
Tony Kray, duty as constable Oct. 31, 1946	5.00
Charles Wade, duty as assistant constable July 4 and Oct. 31	10.00
F. J. Nash, Legal services	115.20
Muriel Foley, clerk at town meeting	5.00
Sylvia Derry, checker at town meeting	5.00
E. W. Parker, checker at town meeting	5.00

 \$1,116.89

Supplies and Expenses:

E. W. Parker, stamps, telephone & miscellaneous	\$53.28
E. W. Parker, stamps & misc. supplies making out tax bills	58.37
Gertrude Campbell, expenses incurred attending Town Clerk's Convention	8.00
Gertrude Campbell, miscellaneous expenses	18.90
John A. Baxendale, 4 vital record binders	40.00
Baker's News Shop, 1 storage cabinet	40.54
Baker's News Shop, town meeting record book	9.10
Baker's News Shop, supplies for listers	7.47
John O. Baxendale, town report binders & marvel punch	21.50
Thomas Groom & Co., Inc., record book for recording deeds	39.50
Honesty Farm Press, printing poll tax bills, letterheads and property tax bills	14.60
Tuttle Stationery Co., 1 pad abstract of title	.60
Brattleboro Trust Co., bank charges	16.14
Brattleboro Trust Co., check books	4.43
Gertrude Campbell, two beer license fees at \$1.00	2.00

 \$334.43

Selectmen's Miscellaneous Disbursements

E. Putney Community Center, Memorial Day service	\$25.00
Russell B. Howard, Memorial Day appropriation	125.00
John B. Adams, insurance bonding town officers	65.00
John B. Adams, premium on library books, town buildings	125.94
John B. Adams, employers' liability insurance	104.57
D. H. Patterson, couplings & pipe	1.54
Leon Wood, cleaning water courses	5.00
A. M. Flanders, Inc., couplings & hose	7.32
Paul Carr, 2 trips to Hartford, Conn. & telephone calls	12.26
Arthur M. Pillsbury, drawings & survey for sewer	300.00
The Chemical Corp., trucking salt	14.00
Brattleboro Coal & Coke Co., coal for Community House	334.98
E. L. Hildreth & Co., 400 copies of town reports	153.08
Russell N. Stalbird, removing trees on main street	35.00
Philip B. Chase, expenses incurred for trip to Boston regarding water supply & sewage	21.08
Bessie Braley, appropriation for Public Library	450.00
Ben D. Betts, completed base map, \$625, and 4 sets of prints of base map, \$28	653.00
The Aiken Nurseries, shrubs and labor	44.50
Harold Rhoades, use of dump for year 1947	20.00
Paul Carr, putting up speed limit signs	4.25
Errol Wood, putting up speed limit signs	4.00
John Wilsey, putting up speed limit signs	3.75
Brattleboro Daily Reformer, 3 insertions of zoning roads for speed violations & speed limits	7.00
Frank P. Free, 8 speed limit signs at \$1.75 ea.	14.00
Ernest W. Parker, 1% of taxes received	333.08
Ralph V. Sprague, painting & lettering 2 signs	3.75
Town of Brookline, taxes on part of Andrews pasture	10.42
D. H. Smith, cutting down elm tree	5.00
D. H. Smith, kerosene, oil, bolts, iron & oak plank	9.84
Nicholas Miller, asphalt paint for penstock	6.00
Alma Jansen, 360 double postcards for War Memorial	7.20
Paul M. Carr, telephone calls	8.00
Paul M. Carr, express charges on grader blades	1.57
S. L. Davis, general merchandise	66.62
Henry Mercure, abatement of taxes	112.49
Street Lights	405.00
Porcupine Bounties	18.00
Brattleboro, Trust Co. (Truck account)	3,000.00

\$6,517.24

Cemeteries

East Putney Cemetery

Balances Jan. 1, 1947:

Sarah Clay Fund (bank)	\$200.00
East Putney Cemetery Fund (bond)	100.00
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Old North Cemetery

Balances Jan. 1, 1947:

Louise Brown Fund (bond)	\$200.00
Jennie Thayer Fund (bond)	100.00
Alice Foster Fund (bond)	1,100.00
Warren and Black Fund (bank)	651.26
Charles Wilson Fund (bond)	100.00

 \$2,151.26

Expenses:

Carl Anderson, labor	\$21.00	
Robert Prentiss, labor	12.80	\$33.80

Interest Income

 37.50

Excess of income over expenses

 \$ 3.70

Maple Grove Cemetery

Balances Jan. 1, 1947:

Mary Gates Fund (bank)	\$100.00
John Kimball Fund (bank)	500.00

 \$600.00

Mount Pleasant Cemetery

Balances Jan. 1, 1947:

Lydia M. Blood Fund (bond)	\$200.00
Fanny Clough Fund (bank)	100.00
Lemuel Dickinson Fund (bank)	100.00
J. J. Fuller Fund (bank)	100.00
Dorothy Holden Fund (bond)	100.00
Morse Fund (bank)	100.00
Sarah R. Perry Fund (bank)	100.00
Shaw and Aplin Fund (bank)	100.00

 \$900.00

Expenses:

T. P. Carpenter, labor	\$16.50
Interest Income	7.50

Excess of expenses over income \$ 9.00

West Hill Cemetery

Balances Jan. 1, 1947:

Baldwin Fund (bank)	\$107.83
West Hill Cemetery Fund (bank)	150.00
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	\$257.83

Poor Account

Taylor Children (2)

Mrs. B. Stockwell, board and care	\$687.00
Imogene Johnson	
Mabelle F. Gordon, board and care	435.00
Department of Public Welfare	158.38
D. H. Smith, feeding transients	3.88
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	\$1,284.26

Dog Account

Gertrude Campbell, issuing dog licenses	\$22.20
Tuttle Stationery Co., dog license book	2.91
Wheeler & Clark, 200 scalloped brass tags	14.16
George Gassett, pullets killed by dogs	15.00
Town of Westminster, 2 dogs listed by error to Merlin Temple	4.00
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	*\$58.27

*Paid from:

Fees from 126 licenses at \$2.00	\$252.00	
Fees from 19 licenses at \$6.00	114.00	
Fees from 10 licenses at \$3.00	30.00	
Fees from 1 licenses at \$9.00	9.00	
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	\$405.00	
Balance to general fund	346.73	\$58.27

Pine Blister Control

George Garland, labor	\$ 9.00
William Howe, labor	28.00
Wilfred Leach, labor	20.80
Francis Williams, labor	26.00
John C. Lawlor, Jr., labor	30.00
Wesley Nies, labor	30.00
Carroll Perkins, labor	30.00
Donald Averill, labor	26.00

 \$199.80
Town Hall

A. P. Bryant, janitor	\$263.45
D. H. Patterson, labor & supplies	274.70
D. H. Smith, labor & supplies	15.31
Ralph Sprague, labor & supplies	2.15
Lawrence Fitts, labor — plastering	4.00
Dora Lawrence, labor — cleaning	7.35
William Fuller, fuel wood	18.00
S. L. Davis, janitor supplies	9.66
A. P. Bryant, janitor supplies	2.74
Dora Lawrence, wax	.69
Ralph Sprague, lawn mower	8.00
Campbell Auto & Hardware Supply Co., clipping shears	8.50
Green Mt. Power Corp., lights	34.34
John B. Adams, insurance	199.18

 \$848.07
State and County Taxes

State Treasurer, old age assistance	\$1,235.25
State Treasurer, state highway assessment	658.06
State Treasurer, public health service	255.00
Vt. Agricultural Extension Service tax	124.62
H. T. Osborn, county tax	151.70

 \$2,424.63
Interest and Notes

Brattleboro Trust Co., payment on notes	\$9,950.99
Brattleboro Trust Co., interest on notes	19.82
Brattleboro Trust Co., discount on notes	576.69

 \$10,547.50

Library Account*Receipts*

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1947	\$201.31
Town appropriation	450.00
Interest on funds	11.25
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	\$662.56

Disbursements

Salary of Librarian	\$229.70
Books	225.80
Labor	3.50
Bank charges, postage	7.24
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	466.24
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1946	\$196.32

Tax Information

The Grand List is composed of 1% of the listers' valuations of real estate and personal property plus one dollar for each poll.

Real Estate	\$6,257.35
Personal Property	997.60
Polls at \$1.00	549.00
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	\$7,803.95

Taxes assessed on grand list for:

General purposes	\$1.88	\$14,671.43
School district	1.95	15,217.70
Town highways	.55	4,292.17
Debt reduction	.25	1,950.99

\$4.63

\$36,132.29

Taxes assessed on 549 polls for:

Old Age Assistance at \$2.50	1,372.50
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Total Taxes Assessed	\$37,504.79
Taxes received when due	\$33,307.50
Discounts allowed	1,122.88
Taxes become delinquent	3,074.41
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	\$37,504.79

Property	\$2,161.77
Polls	912.64

\$3,074.41

Unpaid Taxes By Years

<i>Year</i>	<i>Unpaid</i>	<i>Collected since</i>	<i>Abated since</i>	<i>Unpaid</i>
<i>Assessed</i>	12-31-46	12-31-46	12-31-46	12-31-47
1929	\$ 45.82			\$ 45.82
1930	52.22			52.22
1931	47.25		\$ 23.35	23.90
1932	39.73	\$ 10.53		29.20
1933	29.17			29.17
1934	49.44			49.44
1935	62.46	2.91		59.55
1936	47.80			47.80
1937	125.76	54.40	10.66	60.70
1938	105.82	52.06	12.10	41.66
1939	65.57		6.05	59.52
1940	196.95	31.79	6.94	158.22
1941	339.09	45.19	1.10	292.80
1942	336.47	21.19	30.90	284.38
1943	416.61	13.84		402.77
1944	515.06	89.24		425.82
1945	515.25	112.52		402.73
1946	1,598.41	667.92		930.49
1947	3,074.41	199.64	21.39	2,853.38
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	\$7,663.29	\$1,301.23	\$ 112.49	\$6,249.57
Unpaid Taxes Jan. 1, 1947				\$4,588.88
Taxes become delinquent this year				3,074.41
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				\$7,663.29
Collected as delinquent			\$1,301.23	
Abated by Board of Civil Authority			112.49	1,413.72
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				\$6,249.57

Statement of Auditors

We have carefully examined the books, bills and receipts of the various officers and, with necessary adjustments, find them to be correct.

In our opinion, the foregoing figures in this report give an accurate statement of the financial condition of the town.

MALCOLM S. JONES

MURIEL FOLEY

MRS. ROSCOE B. HODGSON

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

The School Board organized after March meeting with George Hamilton, chairman; Mrs. Lura H. Frost, clerk; and Mrs. Mabel Gray, third member. Although the Board has not met monthly, many consultations have been held to contend with situations which have arisen.

Early in the year Mr. Hamilton was appointed as one of a committee to regulate the outside use of the movie projector. Black curtains have been purchased for movie use in Central School.

In September Ralph V. Sprague, Sr. became janitor at Central School and arrangements were made to have the ashes removed by the town truck.

The drought began to affect the Central School water supply. School was closed one day, Sept. 30, for lack of water. After consultation with the health officer and D. H. Patterson the Board purchased an electric pump, had a tank brought from Town Hall and installed in the basement. Then D. H. Smith drew water from W. H. Darrow's and the supply was pumped into the attic. Much thanks is due Mr. Darrow for allowing water to be drawn from his property. By mid-November the spring had 8 feet of water in it, but tax payers should keep in mind that another such drought would find the Central School minus a water supply again. The School Board may find it necessary to have an artesian well dug unless steps are taken in the meantime to provide a village or town water system.

After the heating system was started at Central School the janitor had serious trouble with the fuel which caused costly repairs to the heater. After several fuel experts had been consulted, it was definitely decided that fuel, not the heating system, was at fault. Thus lack of water and poor fuel supply have made much extra expense. A telephone was installed in Central School for safety and convenience.

Washburn School was kept open again this year with Mrs. Ethel Carpenter doing excellent work.

Mrs. Harlow, Miss Barnes, Miss Cole and Miss Follette deserve much credit for carrying on under such adverse conditions as lack of water and irregular heat. Mrs. Anna Robertson continued as music instructor and Mrs. Julie Rosegrant has served as substitute teacher when necessary.

William Fuller has transported the East Putney children to Central in his usual satisfactory manner. As the number of children became less in early fall, Mrs. Gladys Stockwell discontinued her transportation from East Putney. Mrs. Gray trans-

ported until October from West Hill. Mr. Ryder transports the group in the morning and Austin Gassett takes over the return trip.

We urge the voters to take heed of Supt. Eddy's report and try to realize the need for enlargement of present school facilities.

We recommend \$2.00 on the grand list for school expenses for the coming year.

GEORGE H. HAMILTON, *Chairman*
LURA H. FROST, *Clerk*
MABEL H. GRAY

LIBRARY REPORT

On January 1st the Putney Public Library closed its doors on a very successful year. Several new patrons have been added to the lists and summer residents were again among our visitors.

Many books have been sent out to shut-ins and this group of people have been among some of our greatest readers, this year.

We were able to purchase an antique book on "Noyesism in Putney", and as there have been many inquiries about this subject, I feel, we were very fortunate in being able to get this book.

The Rutland Book Wagon visits us every three months, and leaves about thirty books, which is an immense help, as new books are expensive and slow in coming from the book concerns.

Several people, belonging to the "Book of the Month Club" have also turned over books to the library, for which we are very thankful.

MARY G. HOWARD,
Librarian

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Putney's number one school problem continues to be the lack of room at the Central School. In my report last year I pointed out why there should be extensive additions made to the present structure or a new building erected.

The teachers are doing splendid work under very cramped conditions. With more room they could make their work more effective. The traditional rows and rows of desks occupying practically all of the floor space in each classroom do not permit much opportunity for participation in the group activities that are considered so important in training children for intelligent living.

The schools of today are concerned with developing in each pupil the competence that will equip him to handle well his personal problems, to lead a satisfying social life, to make a constructive contribution to the betterment of groups of which he is a part, and to an intelligent understanding of the national and international issues of the time. This modern theory of education requires the organization of schools for living as well as for learning. A crowded room does not allow much opportunity for living.

Some children are not endowed to satisfactorily pursue the usual academic school programs, and so meet defeat and develop a feeling of frustration in their attempt to do the work. These children can often do very creditable work with their hands. Central School needs room for such courses as manual training and instruction in home making that will not only help to meet the needs of these children, but will also be interesting and beneficial to the children who find the usual school work less difficult.

Children are a town's greatest resources. The children in the schools today are the potential homemakers and men and women who will be engaged in the various occupations and businesses of a few years from now. They will be the town's future leaders. Statistics prove that the level of income in towns and cities rises directly in proportion to the increase in educational opportunities offered.

Educational opportunities for the Putney children can be greatly improved when more room is provided. When this is done the work can be better organized to meet the needs of modern living.

Respectfully submitted,
ETHEL A. EDDY, *Superintendent*

School District Financial Report

Central School

I Salaries		
Inez S. Harlow,		
7th & 8th grades teacher @ \$1,900.00	\$1,817.50	
Louise Barnes,		
5th & 6th grades teacher @ \$1,800.00	1,715.00	
Edna H. Cole,		
3rd & 4th grades teacher @ \$1,800.00	1,715.00	
Florence Follette,		
1st & 2nd grades teacher @ \$1,800.00	1,657.50	
Julie Rosegrant, substitute teacher	73.00	
		<hr/> \$6,978.00
II Janitor Service		
1. William Fuller @ \$15.00 a week	\$360.00	
2. Ralph Sprague @ \$18.00 a week	324.00	
		<hr/> 684.00
III Telephone		49.37
IV Lights		66.50
V Coal		569.10
VI Books		411.44
VII Repairs to Water System		
1. Dan Patterson & two helpers	\$128.73	
2. Robert Austin & two helpers	29.71	
3. Ralph Sprague, labor	11.14	
4. Dan Patterson for 1 Meyers Pump	96.00	
5. D. H. Smith, drawing water	58.00	
6. George Hamilton, digging up water pipe	12.00	
		<hr/> 335.58
VIII General Repairs		
1. Dan Patterson — set of tees, labor and parts on boiler & stoker	\$362.18	
2. Ralph Sprague — labor on boiler & installing front door	15.33	
3. Robert Austin — sanding desks & varnishing	96.82	
4. Putney Garage — repair of teeters & radiators	11.00	
		<hr/> 485.33

IX Miscellaneous Expense

1. Mrs. Elsie Blood, board for Thelma Hulett	\$148.00	
2. William Fuller, hauling ashes	15.00	
3. Kenneth Fullam, hauling ashes	5.00	
4. Curtain for Movie Projector	22.47	
5. John B. Adams, insurance for Movie Projector	22.50	
6. Gladys Stockwell, cleaning	40.38	
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		253.35
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		\$9,832.67

Washburn School

I Salaries		
Ethel R. Carpenter, 1st - 6th grades @ \$1,700.00		\$1,612.50
II Janitor Service		
1. Gladys Braley	\$2.75	
2. Ethel Carpenter	22.00	
3. Raymond Pierce	2.50	
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		27.25
III Lights		11.42
IV Books		13.61
V Fuel		79.37
VI Repairs		3.50
VII Cleaning		7.89
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		\$1,755.54

Higher Instruction

Brattleboro High School		\$2,950.78
Putney School		1,000.00
Mt. St. Joseph's Academy		200.00
St. Michael's High School		90.00
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		\$4,240.78
Music Instruction — Mrs. Anna B. Robertson		\$350.00
Transportation		
William Fuller @ \$10.00 per day	\$1,750.00	
Laurence Temple @ \$ 2.00 per day	200.00	
Mabel Gray @ \$ 3.00 per day	414.00	
Austin Gassett @ \$ 3.00 per day	111.00	
Gladys Stockwell @ \$ 2.00 per day	258.00	
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		\$2,733.00
Supplies for Teachers		371.93
Supplies for Janitors		80.09
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		\$3,535.02

General Expenses

Ethel A. Eddy — Superintendent's Salary	\$712.48
Ethel A. Eddy — general office expense	61.05
Ethel A. Eddy — postage, telephone & misc.	41.18
School Directors	
Lura Frost, Director & Clerk	\$121.86
Mabel Gray, Director	50.00
George Hamilton, Director	50.00
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	221.86
John B. Adams — insurance for 3 yrs. & Bond Premium Renewal	76.50
Bank Charges	4.55
Vt. Peoples National Bank — Note	6,000.00
Vt. Peoples National Bank — Interest on Note	30.00
Mt. Kilburn Paper Co. — paper cups & dispenser	28.00
Dr. D. C. DeWolfe — school examinations	36.00
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co.	4.52
Mrs. George D. Aiken — 10 folding chairs from West Hill School	15.00
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	\$7,231.14
Total Expenditures	\$26,595.15

School Receipts

Balance Jan. 1, 1947	\$2,661.11
\$1.95 on Grand List	15,217.70
State Treasurer	3,170.28
Tuition, Town of Dummerston	100.00
Tuition, Robin Wardwell, at Rosegrants	25.00
Tuition, one child at Seth Ellis'	6.00
Tuition, S. Kazandi	25.00
Rebate on Interest at Vt. Peoples National Bank	1.00
Vermont Peoples National Bank Note	6,000.00
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	\$27,206.09
Total School Expenses	26,595.15
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Balance Jan. 1, 1948	\$610.94

HIGHWAYS

Rates: Trucking, \$1.65, \$1.90, \$2.40, \$3.25 per hour; labor, \$.60, \$.65, \$.75, \$.80, \$.90, \$1.00; man and shovel \$6.50; man and bulldozer \$6.00; sand and gravel, 10 cents per yard.

State Aid Roads

Leuman Frink, labor	\$14.40
Vt. Sand & Gravel, gravel	17.15
	<hr/> \$31.55

State Aid — Winter Roads

Maynard Aiken, labor	\$4.50
Paul Carr, labor	64.92
William Farrell, labor	22.70
Addis Robinson, labor	12.75
Willard Larraway, labor	4.50
Edward Rice, labor	3.75
John Wilsey, labor	17.25
Cecil Wood, labor	25.50
D. H. Smith, kerosene for lights	8.64
	<hr/> \$164.51

Town Roads

Paul Carr, labor	\$762.99
Errol Wood, labor	661.65
John Wilsey, labor	491.25
David Aplin, labor	59.55
William Willey, labor	169.50
Raymond Willey, labor	183.00
Robert Fenn, labor	107.00
Kenneth Miller, labor	11.20
Arthur Latourneau, labor	24.00
Stanley Marynuk, labor	13.60
John Rice, self & truck	3.00
Edward Rice, labor	1.00
Lawrence Wade, labor	1.00
James Beauchaine, self & truck	46.80
Michael Fabien, self & shovel	175.50
Robert Benson, self & bulldozer	58.50
Francis Parker, self & truck	51.30
Carrol Haskins, self & truck	87.75

Carlo Bucossi, self & bulldozer	78.00
Nicholas Miller, gravel	24.70
State of Vermont, patrol	369.75
D. H. Smith, gas & oil	210.09
Baums Castine Co., oil	18.19
Campbell Auto & Hardware Supply Co., small tank	6.75
Robert Benson, widening road to Garfield place	114.75
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	\$3,730.82

Back Roads (Watt's road)

Paul Carr, labor	\$ 117.90
Kenneth Miller, labor	85.60
Arthur Latourneau, labor	65.60
John Ellis, labor	69.60
Errol Wood, labor	93.50
Ray Marsh, labor	15.30
Maynard Aiken, labor	36.00
Henry Frost, labor	11.20
Robert Turner, self & truck	140.40
Carrol Haskins, self & truck	29.25
John Rice, self & truck	117.00
Richard Wilson, use of truck	26.40
Kenneth Fullam, use of truck	81.00
Michael Fabien, man & shovel	351.00
Carlo Bucossi, man & bulldozer	345.00
Nicholas Miller, gravel	112.00
Berger Metal Culvert Co., culverts	272.31
Gas, oil, labor, truck & miscellaneous	287.60
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	\$2,256.66

Supplies for Highway Department

Consolidated Steel Syndicate, cutting edges for grader	\$57.12
S. L. Davis, paint, lime, shovels, nails, etc.	24.52
Paul M. Carr, 300 ft. snow fence	20.00
The Fuller Hardware Co., small tools	15.20
The Fuller Hardware Co., 2 bush scythes	4.50
Hardy A. Merrill, 2 scythe snaths	5.50
Thomas Auto Supply, Inc., pair of pliers	1.95
R. H. Brown & Co., 4 potato hooks	7.02
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	\$135.81

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Rates: Trucking, \$2.40, \$3.25; labor, \$.75, \$.85; shovel and operator, \$5.25, \$6.50; Bulldozer and operator, \$6.00, \$7.50.

Paul Carr, labor	\$ 578.50
Robert Fenn, labor	27.00
Ray Marsh, labor	209.53
Ray Miller, labor	26.40
John Ellis, labor	179.20
Maynard Aiken, labor	118.40
Richard Phelps, labor	114.80
Cecil Wood, labor	8.00
Hugh Houghton, labor	15.20
Arthur Latourneau, labor	88.80
Leuman Frink, labor	53.60
Errol Wood, labor	557.95
John Wilsey, labor	414.75
Kenneth Miller, labor	245.60
David Aplin, labor	71.20
Maurice Chaffey, labor	14.40
Henry Sprague, labor	8.00
Carl Stockwell, self & truck	258.30
Robert Turner, self & truck	1,025.38
Richard Wilson, use of truck	554.40
Richard Wilson, labor	94.50
Percy Mussey, labor	68.90
Percy Mussey, self & truck	53.00
James Beauchaine, self & truck	23.40
John Rice, self & truck	354.25
Daniel Fox, self & truck	313.30
Kenneth Fullam, use of truck	387.40
Kenneth Fullam, labor	25.60
Town of Westminster, use of truck	201.60
Carrol Haskins, self & truck	671.13
Carlo Bucossi, self & shovel	396.39
Carlo Bucossi, self & bulldozer	420.00
Michael Fabien, self & shovel	1,397.50
Robert Benson, self & bulldozer	204.00
Robert G. Rosegrant, gravel	785.40
Nicholas Miller, gravel	287.60

Brattleboro Sand & Gravel Co., Inc., gravel	561.75
The Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co., asphalt	2,598.15
State of Vermont Highway Dept., State labor & equipment	2,103.47
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	\$15,516.75

Winter Roads and Maintenance

Bernard Beauchain, self and truck	\$19.80
Harry Rumrill, self and truck	60.00
John Ellis, labor	72.20
Paul Carr, labor	415.08
Maynard Aiken, labor	130.50
John Wilsey, labor	49.50
Willard Larraway, labor	33.75
James Beauchain, self and truck	149.40
Vernard Anderson, labor	9.00
Robert Burns, labor	8.25
Donald Harlow, labor	12.75
Leuman Frink, labor	4.20
Raymond Miller, labor	16.10
Kenneth Miller, labor	165.35
Paul Wade, labor	2.25
William Farrell, labor	34.25
Joseph Burn , labor	6.00
Henry Phelps, plowing snow	13.30
Kenneth Fullam, plowing snow and sanding	343.80
Robert Turner, self and truck	78.00
Carroll Haskins, self and truck	58.50
Lawrence Wade, labor	4.80
David Aplin, labor	5.60
John Rice, self and truck	29.25
Michael Fabien, self and shovel	32.50
Errol Wood, plowing snow and sanding	158.95
Arthur Latourneau, labor	51.20
L. Oliver Wood, labor	19.00
Cecil Wood, labor	49.35
Richard Carey, labor	4.00
Henry Frost, labor	9.00
Edward Rice, plowing snow and sanding	9.45
Francis Parker, self and truck	51.30
Maynard Aiken, sanding	43.20
John Wilsey, sanding	3.00

William Fuller, sanding	12.60	
Addis Robinson, sanding	3.75	
Cecil Wood, sanding	4.50	
Kenneth Miller, sanding	8.25	
Harold Cobb, sanding	2.25	
Leuman Frink, sanding	1.40	
Vernard Anderson, sanding	14.25	
Raymond Miller, sanding	5.60	
Kenneth Fullam, use of truck sanding	21.80	
Total labor		\$2,226.98
Sand:		
Harold Rhoades	36.00	
Vermont Sand & Gravel Co.	18.90	
		54.90
Parts for truck		17.18
Parts for tractor		24.48
Parts for sander		12.43
Repairs on Snow Plow by Gary Martin		4.50
		\$2,340.47
Gas, oil, labor and parts for Tractor:		
D. H. Smith	\$135.17	
G. Gibbs	2.18	
Texaco Garage	16.98	
		\$154.33
Gas, oil, labor and parts for Truck:		
D. H. Smith	178.14	
Texaco Garage	60.54	
		238.68
Supplies:		
The Chemical Corporation, 12 tons CC Rock Salt		188.40
		\$2,921.88

Railings

M. P. Rowman & Sons, posts	\$230.00	
Paul Carr, labor	49.40	
Errol Wood, labor	46.40	
Raymond Willey, labor	105.75	
William Willey, labor	105.75	
David Aplin, labor	81.90	
Robert Fenn, labor	5.95	
John Wilsey, labor	24.00	
		\$649.15

Trip to Lyndonville, Vt. for posts:		
Paul Carr, gas and oil for truck	22.16	
Paul Carr, expenses incurred on trip	14.80	
Paul Carr, labor	15.30	
Errol Wood, labor	14.40	
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Total		<hr/> \$715.81

Bridges

Labor:		
Paul Carr	63.70	
Errol Wood	28.80	
John Wilsey	54.75	
Robert Fenn	3.25	
Robert Benson, self and bulldozer	15.60	
	<hr/>	\$166.10
Miscellaneous:		
M. I. Bills, 8,719 ft. lumber	\$523.14	
James Becker, 3,406 ft. Hemlock logs	54.50	
West River Basket Co., sawing bridge lumber	14.00	
W. J. Pentland Co., soil pipe, labor	28.30	
Town of Dummerston, use of tractor	72.00	
Town of Dummerston, man driving tractor	24.00	
Texaco Garage, helping move culvert pipe	5.75	
D. H. Smith, welding, grease, oil, etc.	51.20	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co., culverts	50.75	
Berger Metal Culvert Co., culverts	588.53	
	<hr/>	1,412.17
Total		<hr/> \$1,578.27

Tractor Account

Gas and oil:		
D. H. Smith	\$5.17	
Texaco Garage	36.91	
	<hr/>	\$42.08

Storage at Texaco Garage for 12 months		120.00
Repairs and supplies:		
A. M. Flanders, set of tracks	352.43	
D. H. Smith, 1 battery	17.90	
Texaco Garage, welding, etc.	37.25	
		<hr/> 407.58
Total		<hr/> \$569.66

Truck Account

Gas and oil:		
D. H. Smith	104.38	
Texaco Garage	54.50	
A. H. Wilson	5.80	
		<hr/> 164.77
Storage at Texaco Garage for 5 months		50.00
Repairs and Supplies:		
Gary Martin, connecting road scraper to truck	21.82	
A. H. Wilson, parts and labor	68.42	
Putney Garage, state inspection	2.80	
A. H. Wilson, supplies	114.06	
D. H. Smith, labor on truck	1.50	
Construction Equipment Co., blades	60.10	
Texaco Garage, repairs and parts	70.00	
Robert E. Dunklee, angle	8.91	
D. H. Smith, light flashes	13.00	
Texaco Garage, gas, oil, labor	71.25	
Truck registration	10.00	
Construction Equipment Co., part for truck plow	18.00	
City & County Steel Co., cross chains and links for truck	219.72	
D. H. Smith, labor and material on truck and scraper	19.35	
J. B. Adams, insurance	164.06	
		<hr/> \$61.99
		<hr/> \$1,177.66

A. H. Wilson, truck and plow	6,964.46
Total	<u>\$8,142.22</u>
Earned income from use of truck deposited to sinking fund	\$3,000

Putting Up Snow Fence

Paul Carr, labor	\$45.00
Kenneth Miller, labor	27.20
Arthur Latourneau, labor	27.20
Errol Wood, labor	7.65
John Ellis, labor	5.60
	<u>\$112.65</u>

Cutting Brush

Paul Carr, labor	\$112.85
Errol Wood, labor	47.50
Robert Fenn, labor	58.50
John Wilsey, labor	60.00
Leon Wood, labor	5.00
Perry Mussey, man & tractor	157.50
	<u>\$491.45</u>

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT 1947

Our fire house and equipment is the most complete of any time since we started developing this department back in 1922. The cement floor is now completed in the fire house. Two stationary 500-gallon pumpers purchased last year from the government have been installed and attached to our hydrant line. A front end 500-gallon pump has been installed on the chevrolet panel truck owned by the department. Three thousand feet of hose, ten nozzles of various sizes and other small equipment necessary in fighting any large fire in the village are on hand at all times for immediate use. Raincoats and boots owned by the company for the hosemen are now kept in the fire house. Each hydrant is shoveled out after every snow storm or when they are buried by the state or the town snowplows. Every effort is being made to keep this department the best and most efficient of any of the small towns in the county. We have answered one public alarm and fifteen stillalarms during the past year. Under the head of the fire warden department we have answered one large grass fire and three small ones. The long dry season last fall created an unusual risk for the wardens this past year.

D. H. Smith, Fire Chief

David Hannum, First Assistant

Loren Bryant and Roscoe Hodgdon, Second Assistants

Fire Department

Services of firemen:

Putney Hose Co., attending fires	\$119.00	
Putney Hose Co., salaries	28.00	
Putney Hose Co., Putney Mt. forest fire	274.20	
	<hr/>	\$421.20

Fire Trucks:

D. H. Smith, labor and material	106.93	
Gary Martin, chain repairs	.50	
Registration of 2 trucks	20.00	
Gary Martin, labor and material	28.35	
Brattleboro Machine Shop, part for truck	8.75	
Brattleboro Machine Shop, welding	5.00	
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Supplies:

Vermont Sand & Gravel Co., sand	15.97	
S. L. Davis, gasoline	7.35	
David G. Deane, 3 Siamese connections	42.29	
Charles O. Denver, 1 case "Leinick"	18.00	
Holden & Martin, 40 bags cement	36.00	
D. H. Smith, supplies for firehouse	205.75	
S. L. Davis, glass, putty, glazier points	1.75	
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		327.11
Janitor Service, D. H. Smith		30.00
Lights, Green Mt. Power Co.		41.40
Fuel, Brattleboro Coal & Coke Co.		135.50

Labor:

Paul Beauchain	45.50	
Paul Carr	7.65	
Errol Wood	7.20	
John Wilsey	6.75	
Paul Carr, labor on cement floor	15.30	
Errol Wood, labor on cement floor	14.40	
John Wilsey, labor on cement floor	13.50	
Lawrence Wade, cleaning firehouse	2.80	
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		113.10

Miscellaneous:

J. B. Adams, insurance on Chevrolet truck	6.00	
J. B. Adams, insurance on fire pumper	24.00	
Texaco Garage, welding hydrant	5.00	
Robert E. Dunklee, labor and supplies	614.74	
Conn. General Life Insurance	100.00	
Gary Martin, repairing cement mixer for use at firehouse	8.75	
St. Johnsbury Trucking Co.	31.24	
D. H. Smith, labor, gas, oil and supplies	268.56	
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		1,058.29
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Total		\$2,296.13

YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Town, State, and Federal Funds make it possible for residents of Putney to join with the people of many other towns and villages of various sections of the nation in enjoying the advantages and protection of the Public Health Nursing Program.

The tax funds used in supporting Public Health Nursing Services are derived in the following manner: 10 % is appropriated from town funds; 28% from the State of Vermont; while the remaining 62% is derived from Federal funds.

With the current national shortage of nurses, the Public Health Nursing Program is severely handicapped today by the many difficulties encountered in procuring a sufficient number of properly qualified nurses who are capable of assuming duties and responsibilities that the average nurse is not especially trained to handle.

The responsibility of your public health nurse, Mrs. Della Lahar, R. N., is determined by the health needs of the town and the money available for carrying on the work. It may include the following activities: assisting expectant mothers to carry out their physician's instructions for good prenatal care; care of the new mother and baby; health supervision of the infant, preschool, school child, and adult, including the prevention and control of disease, and aiding in the correction of defects. These are just a few of the services made possible by your public health nurse.

Following is a summarization of the services of the public health nurse from December 1, 1946 to December 1, 1947.

TYPE OF SERVICE

Morbidity:

33 visits to give nursing care to the sick in their homes.

Maternity Service:

10 visits were made to expectant mothers and to new mothers and their infants.

Infant and Preschool Hygiene:

20 were given medical examination by a physician.

81 visits were made to homes to discuss with parents the health needs of their children.

School Hygiene:

261 personal hygiene inspections were made by the nurse.

133 children were given a medical examination by a physician.

66 visits were made to the schools to assist with the school health program.

232 hearing tests were made with an audiometer.

36 visits to the homes to consult with parents about health problems of their children.

Communicable Disease Preventive Measures:

10 children of all ages immunized against diphtheria.

10 children of all ages vaccinated against smallpox.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Since payments by the State have a considerable part in lowering local tax rates the following information is furnished as a public service for inclusion in your Town Report.

Payments to persons found in or applying from Putney Calendar Year ending December 31, 1947:

For Old Age Assistance	\$1,961.00
Blind Assistance	162.00
Aid to Dependent Children	500.00
Adult Crippled Aid	
Committed Children	258.78
Total	<hr/> \$2,881.78

The newly established Department of Social Welfare administers programs formerly administered by the Department of Public Welfare and the Old Age Assistance Commission. It is responsible for the determination of eligibility and continuation of eligibility and within the limitations of money available, for the payment of financial assistance to approximately 9,000 individuals in various categories from youth to old age. Increase in the cost of living, unemployment, family insecurity, divorce, sickness, lack of housing, inadequate social security benefits, exhaustion of savings and a longer life span are factors in applications for aid and the amount of need.

This agency endeavors to function with kindly consideration of human needs and the practical and efficient expenditure of public funds. We appreciate the information and advice of so many who have cooperated with us in the past twelve years.

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON, *Commissioner*

Marriages in 1947

- Jan. 1 Charles F. Blood, Guilford, Vt. and Clara Mae Hurd, Putney. In Brattleboro.
- Jan. 12 Adolph Kmon, West Warwick, R. I. and Felicia Frances Kulachok, Willimansett, Mass. In Putney.
- Jan. 25 Garland Clarence Dort, Peabody, Mass. and Eleanor Ann Aitken, Ipswich, Mass. In Putney.
- Apr. 26 William Donald Ross, Northfield, Mass. and June Isabelle Stockwell, E. Putney. In Putney.
- May 18 Joseph Gershom Cook, Jr., Hadley, Mass. and Jean Mary Sarazin, Northampton, Mass. In Putney.
- May 18 Arthur John Macauley, Cranford, N. J. and Mary Hurley Eisenhauer, Cranford, N. J. In Putney.
- May 31 Alfred Charles McPherson, Springfield, Mass. and Hepsibeth Alice Miltimore McPherson, Concord, Vt. In Putney.
- June 7 Carlyle Gray, N. Y. City and Leslie B. Watt Richardson, Putney. In Putney.
- June 28 Clayton Edward Kathan, E. Putney and Dolores Dianne Currier, Bellows Falls. In Bellows Falls.
- June 30 Glendon Albert Gilbert, Bakersfield, Vt. and Theresa Elizabeth Martin, Putney. In Putney.
- July 5 Robert Elwin Kathan, E. Putney and Phyllis Kener-son, E. Putney. In Putney.
- July 12 Alton Dunham Farrington, Putney and Elnora Elizabeth Jones, Brattleboro. In Putney.
- Aug. 9 Joseph Henry Gould, Putney and Elizabeth Onnie Beaudry, Brattleboro. In Brattleboro.
- Aug. 20 Joe Kenneth Gilmore, Rutland, Vt. and Elizabeth Westcott, Drewsville, N. H. In Putney.
- Aug. 23 Dexter Warner Kathan, Jr., E. Putney and Arlene Mae Stockwell, E. Putney. In Putney.
- Oct. 11 Walton Melvin Jewett, Windsor, Vt. and Irene Mary Dunham, Putney. In Putney.
- Oct. 11 Robert C. Allard, Westminster West and Ruth Alice Braley, Putney. In Putney.
- Oct. 22 Harold Noel Bushey, Easthampton, Mass. and Emma Rose Kelly, Hadley, Mass. In Putney.
- Nov. 22 Francis Marsh Johnson, Orange, Mass. and Pauline Jeanette Rogers, Putney. In Putney.
- Nov. 25 Edward Mitchell Burdo, E. Putney, and Geneva Dorothy Bushee, Manchester Depot, Vt. In Manchester Center, Vt.

- Nov. 29 William Hinds Darrow, Jr., Putney, and Idolene Hegemann, Putney. In Putney.

Births in 1947

- Feb. 12 Charles Cauthen Stanley to John Boyd Stanley and Florence Ward (Cauthen) Stanley. In Brattleboro.
- Mar. 17 Cecil Patrick Wood to Cecil Estey Wood and Angelina Marguerita (Angelillo) Wood. In Brattleboro.
- Mar. 17 Robert Alan Rhoades to Donald Arthur Rhoades and Beatrice Thelma (Stetson) Rhoades. In Brattleboro.
- Mar. 23 David Lincoln Cory to Robert Haskell Cory, Jr. and Sara Elizabeth (Pettit) Cory. In Brattleboro.
- Mar. 24 Cheryl Darlene Rumrill to Harry Albert Rumrill, Jr. and Beverly Lois (Anderson) Rumrill. In Brattleboro.
- Apr. 30 Joseph Bernard Beauchain to Bernard Edgar Beauchain and Bernadette Virginia (Guinard) Beauchain. In Brattleboro.
- May 24 Ronald Lee Putnam to Richard Ernest Putnam and Elena Mae (Brown) Putnam. In Keene, N. H. (Reported from another State.)
- June 6 Dedra Marlene Kinney to Hermon Clarence Kinney and Madeline Laura (Lawrence) Kinney. In Bellows Falls.
- June 23 Linda Chittendon Jones to Charles Walter Jones and Marjorie Lee (Chittendon) Jones. In Brattleboro.
- July 13 Daniel David Fuller to William Joseph Fuller and Mary Elizabeth (Fowler) Fuller. In Brattleboro.
- July 25 Clyde Dingman Watson to Aldren A. Watson and Nancy (Dingman) Watson. In N. Y. City. (Reported from another State.)
- July 27 Patricia Ann Dean to Harry William Dean and Florence Rachel (Urus) Dean. In Bellows Falls.
- Aug. 9 Timothy Albert Robinson to Addis Curran Robinson and Harriet Angie (Carr) Robinson. In Brattleboro.
- Aug. 24 Merrill George Barton to George Melvin Barton and Sylvia Jean (Braley) Barton. In Brattleboro.
- Sept. 19 Bruce Allan Howard to Leonard Alton Howard and Mary Ella (Balch) Howard. In Brattleboro.

- Sept. 28 James Leonard Howard to Wilmont Frederick Howard and Mary Louise (Reed) Howard. In Brattleboro.
- Sept. 28 Keith Frederick Neill to Arthur Erwin Neill and Patricia May (Keith) Neill. In Brattleboro.
- Oct. 25 Judith Ann Burdo to Earl Herman Burdo and Beverly Rose (Mullaney) Burdo. In Brattleboro.
- Nov. 10 Linda Jean Coburn to George Fred Coburn and Aline Juannita (Bean) Coburn. In Brattleboro.

Deaths in 1947

- Mar. 9 Harry Cook Starr. 73 yrs. 1 mo. 30 days. In Putney.
- May 5 Esther J. Pratt. 80 yrs. 2 mo. 24 days. In Putney.
- May 4 Emma Webster. 51 yrs. 9 mo. 26 days. In Manchester, N. H.
Reported from another State.
- July 2 Frank Saywer Rand. 76 yrs. 8 mo. 2 days. In Brattleboro.
- July 10 Julius Richard Roberts. 53 yrs. In Putney.
- July 13 Clara L. Bailey, 64 yrs. 11 mo. 19 days. In Brattleboro.
- July 18 Emily Warren Harris Coe, 78 yrs. 4 mo. 10 days. In Putney.
- July 25 Fred Bentley Hannum. 78 yrs. 5 mo. 11 days. In Putney.
- Aug. 8 John Newton Underwood. 75 yrs. 5 mo. 21 days. In Putney.
- Aug. 24 Lena Effie Phelps. 73 yrs. 7 mo. 3 days. In E. Putney.
- Sept. 29 Jacob Benjamin VanWaveren. 59 yrs. 5 mo. 25 days. In Putney.
- Dec. 2 Sarah Louise Johnson. 85 yrs. 8 mo. 24 days. In Putney.
- Dec. 15 Ella Pearl Martin. 57 yrs. 11 mo. 12 days. In Putney.
- Dec. 16 Lottie Pettie Laughton. 74 yrs. 7 mo. 18 days. In Putney.

— WARNING —

For Town Meeting and Town School District Meeting

All persons legal voters of the Town of Putney, Vermont are hereby notified and warned to meet in the Town Hall of Putney, on Tuesday, March 2, 1948, at 10 o'clock A.M. to act on the following articles:

- Art. 1. To hear the report of the last town meeting.
- Art. 2. To elect a moderator and a town clerk.
- Art. 3. To see if the town will accept the auditor's report.
- Art. 4. To hear the report of the cemetery commissioners.
- Art. 5. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale of malt and vinous beverages?
- Art. 6. Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this town?
- Art. 7. To see if the town will have one or two road commissioners.
- Art. 8. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to appoint the road commissioner, or to elect by ballot.
- Art. 9. To elect a selectman, a lister, and all other town officers required by law for the ensuing year.
- Art. 10. To elect a school director.
- Art. 11. To see what sum the town will vote, to raise by a tax on the grand list of 1948 to pay the expenses of the schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 12. Shall the tax raised for schools be collected as provided by No. 24-25 of the acts of 1937 and by whom collected.
- Art. 13. To see if the town will authorize the school directors to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay school expenses.
- Art. 14. To see what sum, if any, the town will appropriate for the proper observance of Memorial Day.
- Art. 15. To see what sum the town will appropriate for the support of the Putney Public Library.
- Art. 16. To see what sum, if any, the town will appropriate for permanent highways and resurfacing.

- Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote the sum of \$255.00 towards the support of the Public Health Nurse (Maternal and Child Health Nursing Service) from July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949, in order that the service already established may be continued, and in such manner as to take full advantage of Federal Aid.
- Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to be used in cooperation with State and Federal funds for controlling the spread of white pine blister rust.
- Art. 19. To see if the town will elect a delinquent tax collector.
- Art. 20. To see if the town will increase the Treasurer's salary from \$150.00 to \$200.00 and the incoming auditors from \$25.00 to \$35.00.
- Art. 21. To see what the town will do about continued planning and making surveys for a central water supply system and additional school facilities.
- Art. 22. To see what the town will do regarding the purchase of a one way plow and additional equipment.
- Art. 23. To see what the town will do about housing for highway and town equipment.
- Art. 24. To see if the piece of land now owned by the Town School District, formerly in district #10, at the junction of the Brattleboro and Depot roads should be retained by the district or conveyed to the town.
- Art. 25. To see if the Town School District will authorize its directors to sell the property known as District #7 school property located in East Putney and if so to elect an agent for the purpose of transferring title to such property.
- Art. 26. To see if the Town School District will authorize its directors to convey by Quit-Claim Deed the property known as District #5 school property located on West Hill to the Town of Putney for a consideration of one dollar and if so to elect an agent for the purpose of executing such quit claim deed.

- Art. 27. To see what the town will do about a World War 2 Memorial.
- Art. 28. To see if the town will appropriate a sum of money not exceeding \$450.00 for fuel for the Community Center for the Winter of 1948-49.
- Art. 29. To see if the town will employ an outside auditor.
- Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to be on daylight saving time as has been the custom in previous years.
- Art. 31. To determine what sum the town will vote to raise by a tax on the grand list of 1948 to pay all demands against and all expenses of the town for the ensuing year and by whom collected.
- Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to collect taxes on real and personal property in installments as provided by No. 24-25 of the acts of 1937.
- Art. 33. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes to pay demands against the town.
- Art. 34. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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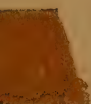
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Selectmen of Putney

February 16, 1948

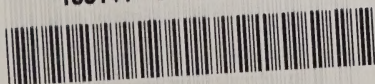
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